

VANDERBILT WEDS MISS LITTLETON

Three Thousand in Church See Ceremony—Two Thousand in Street.

CROWD DELAYS BRIDE

Miss Marion Carroll, One of Her Bridesmaids, Engaged to Martin W. Littleton, Jr.

Almost three thousand persons witnessed the marriage in St. Thomas's Church yesterday afternoon of Miss Rachel Littleton, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Littleton of Chattanooga, Tenn., to Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., son of Brig.-Gen. and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt. Several hundred persons who had cards of invitation for the service failed to gain admittance because there was no room for them in the edifice, which has a seating capacity of 1,800 persons. Self-invited spectators, determined to get what satisfaction they could out of the wedding demonstration from the street, exceeded two thousand in number. As estimated by one of twenty traffic policemen who had been assigned to regulate the crush at Fifth avenue and Fifty-third street.

This total of more than five thousand men and women constituted the biggest crowd at a wedding in more than twenty years that the oldest guest could recall. It exceeded that at the marriage in 1896 of the bridegroom's cousin, Miss Consuelo Vanderbilt, to the Duke of Marlborough in the original St. Thomas's Church, which also was at Fifth avenue and Fifty-third street, or even at that of the later marriage of the bridegroom's aunt, Miss Gladys Vanderbilt, to Count Laszlo Szechenyi several years afterward.

An interesting development of the wedding was the announcement of the engagement of Miss Marion Carroll, one of the bridesmaids, to Mr. Martin W. Littleton, Jr.

Big Task for Ushers.
It was beyond the physical ability of the fourteen ushers to give personal attention to the seating of all the guests, who had to show their wedding cards before they could enter the church under either one of the two awnings that reached from Fifth avenue to the door. Those overwhelmed young men just directed the general guests to the rear pews along the center aisle or to the three galleries. There were, however, a few hundred specific seats, whose names the ushers had in printed lists, and these members of the two families or intimate friends received more formal attention by being ushered to specified seats at either side of the front of the nave.

The wedding ceremony was at 4 o'clock, but the church was opened more than an hour earlier. In fifteen minutes the church was a quarter filled. By 5:30 o'clock every foot of seating and standing space was occupied and then the exclusion rule had to be applied. As a hundred persons filled the vestibule, Mr. Martin W. Littleton, Jr., head usher, was compelled to call eight traffic policemen from the street to clear a space for the bride party. They remained to form a lane for the passage of the bride and bridegroom after the ceremony. A few new spring skirts were musued, but everybody, even the policemen, was gay.

Bride Late at Altar.
The Rev. Dr. Ernest M. Struss, rector of the church, married Miss Littleton to Mr. Vanderbilt in a chancel that suggested a grove of palms fringed with spring flowers. The bride, who was accompanied to the altar and given away by her half-brother, Mr. Martin W. Littleton, was held up by the throng in Fifth avenue when going from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Littleton at 113 East Fifty-seventh street, to the church and was 15 minutes late. More time was lost in the crowded vestibule so that the ceremony was almost half an hour late.

There was a brilliant picture when the bride party marched up the aisle led by the ushers, who were Misses Martin W. Littleton, Jr.; Harold S. Vanderbilt; Godfrey S. Rockefeller; Jasper Morgan; William Rhinelandt Stewart, Jr.; Ernest V. E. Struss, son of the officiating clergyman; John W. Brodie; Lorillard S. Teller; Robert Fiedler; W. Trumbull Thomas; Monroe von Mayhoff; R. Thornton Wilson; Thomas Howard and James Henry Van Alen. These were followed by the bridesmaids, Miss Marion Carroll, Miss Grace Vanderbilt, sister of the bridegroom; Misses Katherine Mayday; Helen M. Moran; Adelaide Routh Ogden and Katharine Keogh. Walking immediately in front of the bride and Mr. Littleton was Miss Minnie Littleton, sister of the bride, who was her chief attendant.

The bride wore a conventional and very modish dress. It was of white satin with a skirt of ankle length. The waist, skirt and long train were trimmed with point lace and a tulle veil enveloped the entire costume. She carried a bouquet of orange blossoms and white orchids, and fastened to the bodice was a large pin of diamonds set in platinum.

Bridesmaids in Watteau Style.
A note of art novelty was struck in the dresses of the bridesmaids. The idea was taken from a typical Watteau costume, which was followed strictly in the bodice and hat and elaborated somewhat in the full skirt, which was of white chiffon veiled with silver. The short waisted bodices were of bush pink satin, finished with full ruffles of the same material. The sleeves extended just below the shoulders, over which there were sprays of small pink roses. The tip tilted hats were tied with ribbons and adorned with clusters of roses. The dress of the bride's sister, her chief attendant, differed from the others only in the color of the bodice, which was of French blue satin. Each attendant carried a basket filled with spring flowers.

An added feature of the wedding service was the distribution by the ushers of fourfold programmes of the service printed in silver. Leading the programme was the list of selections which Mr. T. Tertius Noble, organist, played. The selections preceding the processional hymn were "Morning" from the "Peer Gynt" suite; "Saint-Saens' 'The Swan'; Mr. Noble's 'Elizabethan Idyll'; the 'Spring Song' of Holms; a gavotte by Martini; and the nuptial music from 'Salome.' Two verses of the processional hymn, 'Love Divine, All Love Excelling,' next were printed, as were the words of the wedding march from 'Lohengrin,' sung by the choir, which also sang 'O Perfect Love' during the betrothal phases of the service, and Stainer's 'Sevenfold Amen' at the close of the service following the benediction. The familiar Mendelssohn march was the recessional. From among the guests at the service.

Mrs. C. Vanderbilt, Jr., and Miss Marion Carroll



700 went from the church to the reception in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Littleton. The centre of an artistic decorative scheme in the house was a wedding cake which established a record in size among such confections. The cake, which stood in the centre of the bridal table for the supper, was a round pyramid of sweetness nearly six feet high with a cluster of candied flowers on the top. The lower or largest layer was three feet in diameter. The towering cake was intended to be cut into a thousand pieces for distribution among the guests at the reception and to other friends who were prevented only by distance from being present. Twenty-five pounds of the cake will be hermetically sealed in a metal box which will not be opened until the twenty-fifth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr.

Mr. Vanderbilt and his bride have gone to Hot Springs, Va., where they will remain until the end of May. Afterward they will extend their trip to Chicago and San Francisco, combining the pleasure of a wedding trip with the professional duties of the bridegroom as a reporter at the Republican and Democratic national conventions. They expect to go abroad in the autumn.

Guests at the Wedding.
The bench, the diplomatic corps, the army and the navy were represented among the guests. Among these were Major-Gen. Robert Lee Bullard, U. S. A., and Mrs. Bullard; Judge Joseph Aspinwall, Senator and Mrs. Champ Clark; Judge and Mrs. F. E. Crane; Judge and Mrs. Norman S. Dike; the Belgian Ambassador and Baroness de Cartier de Marchienne, Capt. William B. Franklin, U. S. N., and Mrs. Franklin; Judge and Mrs. E. R. Gaveghen; Judge and Mrs. L. A. Glogerich; Judge Henry A. Glinesleeve, Judge and Mrs. Henry D. Hotchkiss, Col. and Mrs. Edward M. House, Judge and Mrs. Jaycox; Judge and Mrs. Martin J. Keogh; Chief Magistrate and Mrs. William McAdoo; Judge and Mrs. J. T. Mearns, Judge and Mrs. W. C. Noyes, the Under Secretary of State and Mrs. Frank Lyon Polk, and the Governor of Rhode Island and Mrs. R. Livingston Beaman.

Relatives of the bride among the guests included Mr. Jesse M. Littleton, once Mayor of Chattanooga, and Mrs. Littleton; Miss Estlin Littleton; Robert Littleton and Miss Jessica Littleton. Relatives among the bridegroom included Mrs. Vanderbilt, his grandmother; Brig.-Gen. and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, his parents; Mr. Reginald C. Vanderbilt, Miss Cathleen Vanderbilt, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Vanderbilt, Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt, Miss Cornelia Vanderbilt, Miss Consuelo Vanderbilt, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, Mr. and Mrs. Richard T. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Orme Wilson, Mrs. William Seward Webb, Mr. and Mrs. William Seward Webb, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. J. Watson Webb, Mr. and Mrs. William Jay Schieffelin, the Misses Schieffelin, Mrs. William Douglas Sloane, Mrs. Hamilton M. Twombly, Miss Ruth Vanderbilt Twombly, Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Osgood Field, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Shepherd, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Harrish, Countess Laszlo Szechenyi, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Kilsam, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Douglas Sloane, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Burden and Mr. and Mrs. Ernesto Fabrizi.

Others in the Throng.
Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. August Belmont; Mr. E. Henry Harriman, Mrs. Andrew Carnegie, Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Whitman, Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey M. Depew, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Astor, Mr. Frank A. Munsey, Mr. and Mrs. Bradish Johnson Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund L. Baylies, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Duke, Mr. and Mrs. Duke, Mr. Clarence H. Mackay, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham I. Elkus, Mr. and Mrs. Ebbert H. Gary, Col. and Mrs. Edward M. House, Miss Georgiana Harriman Owen, Mrs. Rawson Lyman Wood, Miss Mary Hewitt Caperton, and Mrs. C. Oliver Iselin, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Iselin, Mrs. Gouverneur Kortright, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Cass Ledyard, Mr. and Mrs. William Goadby Lowry, Mr. and Mrs. John Bassett Moore, Mr. Charles Moran, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Nixon, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Stanchfield, Mrs. Henry Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Francis K. Pendleton, Gen. Horace Porter, Mr. and Mrs. William G. Rockefeller, Mrs. Douglas Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Kingsley Ohi, Mr. and Mrs. J. Laurens Van Alen, Mr. Francis L. Wellman and Mr. and Mrs. John Markie.

Other guests were Mrs. Charles B. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Harriman, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur A. Bloodgood, Mrs. Rawson Lyman Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Napoleon Bonaparte, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wolcott Warner, Dr. and Mrs. Preston Pope Satterwhite, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Gibson, Mr. Louis Wiley, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rogers Winthrop, Mr. and Mrs. George P. Mesewey, Mr. and Mrs. Otto H. Kahn, Miss Evelyn Burdett, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Gould, Mrs. Charles H. Baldwin, Mrs. Charles H. Sentz, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. C. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Low Bacon, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Winthrop Bowen, Mrs. Reginald Rivers, Mr. and Mrs. Prescott Lawrence, Gen. Daniel Appleton, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Storer Robinson, Dr. and Mrs. Frank Northrop, Mr. and Mrs. Jordan L. Mott, Miss Grace Higdon, Mrs. Charles G. Ayres, Dr. and Mrs. Austin Flint, Mrs. How-



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a wrist watch set with diamonds and small pearls, and from Mr. and Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney there was a gold chain purse set with sapphires and diamonds. The gift from Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Astor was a Chinese vase of dark green jade, a museum piece of great value. Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Vanderbilt gave a flexible bracelet set with diamonds and sapphires. The gift of Count and Countess Laszlo Szechenyi, uncle and aunt of the bridegroom, was a crystal brooch in the shape of a bow-knot set with diamonds, and from Mrs. Nelson Vanderbilt there were two jade pins. Miss Grace Vanderbilt's gift to her sister-in-law was a travelling bag with tortoise shell and gold articles. Gifts were received by the bridegroom also. From his cousin, Mr. William H. Vanderbilt, was a set of diamond and onyx sleeve links. Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Berwin sent him a silver cigarette box. The gifts from Mr. and Mrs. Martin W. Littleton and of Mr. Robert A. Littleton were substantial checks.

There also were several gifts of sentimental value. The bridegroom's coachman sent him a pocketbook of plaid with raised initials in gold, and Mary Mahoney, who was his nurse, sent a perforated silver spoon.

Other gifts for the bride were: From Mr. and Mrs. Richard Croken, a scarf of fine Limerick lace made in a convent in Ireland; from Judge and Mrs. George Peck Lindsay of Tennessee, an old-fashioned fruit cake, and from Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Iselin, an original letter from the Marquis de Lafayette to Chief Justice John Jay, who was Mrs. Iselin's ancestor. Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt, Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Miss Katherine Mackay sent the bride fans of exquisite workmanship, each of which is worthy any noted collection. Other members of the Vanderbilt family sent

silver, porcelain and cut glass. The gift from Mr. and Mrs. John Wanamaker, Jr., was a gold vanity case set with diamonds and sapphires. It was at the reception that the engagement of Miss Marion Carroll, one of the bridesmaids, to Mr. Martin W. Littleton, Jr., became known. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bradish Johnson Carroll, who made a formal announcement last night at a dinner in their home, 10 East Eighty-fifth street. The party included the other bridesmaids and the ushers at yesterday's wedding. After the dinner Mr. and Mrs. Carroll took their guests to the Playhouse to see "The Wonderful Thing."

Miss Carroll, who made her debut last winter, is a sister of Mr. Bradish J. Carroll, Jr., who married Miss Eunice Clapp two years ago. As Mr. Littleton is a student at Princeton no arrangements have been made for the wedding.

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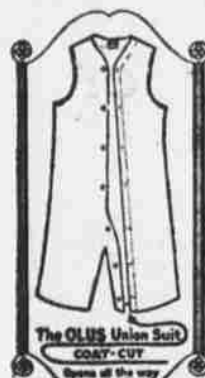
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